

February 11, 2021 Renewed Permit No. QC 1443

PERMIT FOR ENTRY INTO CALIFORNIA TOMATO SEEDLINGS FROM MISSOURI

Under authority of Title 3, California Code of Regulations (CCR), Section 3154 (Secretary May Issue Special Permits), permission is granted to:

Sharen Chaffin Seminis Vegetable Seeds / Bayer 37437 State Highway 16 Woodland, CA 95695

to ship into California tomato seedlings grown in Missouri in greenhouses, which would otherwise be prohibited by CCR, Section 3264, Colorado Potato Beetle, and CCR, Section 3280, Japanese Beetle, under the following conditions:

- 1. Only seedlings produced at Seminis Vegetable Seeds / Bayer Crop Science greenhouses located at 700 Chesterfield Parkway W, Chesterfield, MO 63017 or 800 N. Lindbergh, St. Louis, MO 63141, may be shipped under this permit.
- 2. Only seedlings produced in greenhouses that are free from Japanese beetle and Colorado potato beetle may be shipped under this permit.
- The Missouri Department of Agriculture (MDA) Officials (State Entomologist or representative) shall conduct an ongoing inspection program for detection of serious plant pests in the seedlings and greenhouses.
- 4. All seedlings shall have been produced in sterilized potting media and in new or sterilized containers.
- 5. Each shipment of seedlings shall be accompanied by a certificate issued by a representative of the MDA confirming that the shipment is free from Japanese beetle and Colorado potato beetle and including the statement "Meets the Requirements of Permit No. QC 1443 for Colorado and Japanese Beetles." The certificate shall also provide the name and address of the shipper and consignee as well as the number of seedlings in the shipment.
- 6. In lieu of a paper certificate, a sticker or stamp-type certificate may be used with the following format:



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> Missouri Origin Seedlings Shipped Under Authority of Permit No. QC1443 for Potato Beetle and Japanese Beetle. Approved by Missouri State Entomologist or designee.

(signature) Authorized Representative

- 7. Seedlings shall be shipped in sturdy container. The seedlings must be moved in an enclosed or covered vehicle cargo area. The cargo must be enclosed (CFR, Section 301.75).
- 8. Containers shall be packed inside origin greenhouse located at 700 Chesterfield Parkway W, Chesterfield, MO 63017 or 800 N. Lindbergh, St. Louis, MO 63141, and opened only inside the greenhouses located at 37437 State Highway 16, Woodland, CA 95695.
- 9. All shipments are subject to inspection upon arrival in California.
- 10. The permittee shall notify the Yolo County Agricultural Commissioner prior to movement of the shipment at 916.666.8140.
- 11. All packaging materials in contact with seedlings must be sufficiently heat or chemically treated to destroy all contaminants prior to disposal.
- 12. No movement or distribution of plants, other than as specified in this permit, shall occur without written authorization from this office.
- 13. The detection of Japanese beetle, Colorado potato beetle, or other serious plant pest, or violation of any of the conditions of this permit, may be sufficient cause for immediate revocation of this permit and destruction of the seedlings, or return of the seedlings to origin at the expense of the shipper.

Unless earlier revoked, this permit is valid through February 28, 2022.

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Environmental Program Manager
Permits & Regulations

Plant Health and Pest Prevention Services

cc: Missouri Department of Agriculture Sharen Chaffin

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